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SUBJECT:LETTER FROM SECRETARY SHULTZ TO EC FINANCE OR
ECONOMIC MINISTERS

1. ACTION POSTS REQUESTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER FROM
SECRETARY SHULTZ TO FINANCE MINISTER OR ECONOMIC MINISTER
OF HOST GOVERNMENT ON MARCH 28.

"DEAR BLANK:

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"WHEN THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE EUROPEAN COM-

MUNITY MEETS ON APRIL 1 AND 2, WE EXPECT THAT THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE THE QUESTION OF THE LONGSTANDING TRADE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EC REGARDING COMMUNITY ENLURGMENT. A SETTLEMENT OF THESE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XXIV, PARA. 6 OF THE GATT, IS LONG OVERDUE.

"ON OUR SIDE, WE HAVE MADE CLEAR THAT WE CANNOT GO ON INDEFINITELY. WE HAVE RECOGNIZED THAT GOOD ARGUMENTS CAN BE MADE ON BOTH SIDES. WE HAVE NEGOTIATED THROUGH QUIET DIPLOMACY, TO AVOID WORSENING THE US - EUROPEAN MOOD. WE HAVE BEEN FLEXIBLE AND PRAGMATIC IN OUR REQUESTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS. AS WE HAVE EXPLAINED IN THE PAST, UNLESS THE COMMUNITY CAN SHOW SIMILAR FLEXIBILITY ON ITS PART, WE MIGHT HAVE TO CONSIDER EXERCISING OUR RIGHTS UNDER GATT.

"THIS WEEK, WE HAVE MADE KNOWN TO THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY THE OUTER LIMITS OF WHAT WE CAN LIVE WITH AS A SETTLEMENT. IN DOING THIS WE HAVE MOVED A LONG WAY FROM WHERE WE STARTED IN 1972. WE BELIEVE WE HAVE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE COMMUNITY'S SENSITIVE PROBLEMS, AND THAT OUR APPROACH IS REALISTIC.

"I AM MOST CONCERNED WITH THE POTENTIAL STRAINS IN US - EUROPEAN RELATIONS WHICH ARE IMPLICIT IN FAILURE TO BRING ABOUT SETTLEMENT NOW. I URGE YOU TO GIVE THIS IMPORTANT PROBLEM YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION, AND TO REQUEST YOUR GOVERNMENT'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING ON APRIL 1 TO TAKE FAVORABLE ACTION TO END THIS DISPUTE.

"SIGNED, SINCERELY YOURS, GEORGE P. SHULTZ." RUSH

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